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**By Facsimile**

Honorable Shira A. Scheindlin  
United States District Court  
500 Pearl Street  
New York, New York 10007

Re: United States v. Abel Gonzalez-Casillas, et al.  
SI 07 Cr. 527 (SAS)

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Dear Judge Scheindlin:

The Government writes to respectfully request, on behalf of the Government and counsel for Mr. Gonzalez-Casillas, that the conference in the above-referenced matter scheduled for Wednesday, December 12, 2007, be re-scheduled to a date convenient for the Court after Thursday, December 13, 2007. The Government makes this request after being informed that Mr. Gonzalez's two co-defendants (Israel Torres and Luis Ramirez), who are being brought to the Southern District of New York from California on writs, have not yet arrived in this District, and will not arrive in time for Court proceedings prior to Friday, December 14, 2007.

The Government respectfully requests that time be excluded for purposes of the Speedy Trial Act between December 12, 2007 and the new conference date. This delay will permit the Government and newly retained counsel for Mr. Gonzalez-Casillas to continue discussions concerning the possibility of a disposition before trial, and provide him with an opportunity to review discovery produced by the Government. In addition, it will allow the parties to convene at a time when all the parties are present. The Government makes this request with the consent of counsel for Mr. Gonzalez-Casillas.

Very truly yours,

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*Request granted  
Conference adjourned to  
December 20 at 4:30 and time excluded*  
*By: [Signature]  
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